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Chancellor S. B. McCormick,

University of Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Chancellor McCormick:

Your very kind letter has just reached me and I hasten to assure you that I greatly appreciate the double honour that you do me, first in asking me to give an address on the 131st anniversary of the reception of the first charter, and also in asking me to accept the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. I should like very much to be able to show my appreciation of your kindness in going to Pittsburgh and delivering the address, but I am sorry that this year I cannot do so, as I had already promised to deliver an address in the University of Pennsylvania on George Washington's Birthday. I must return to Toronto and with the heavy burden of work that rests upon me here I could not be away during the next week, especially as it is a particularly heavy week and the meeting of our Board of Governors falls on Thursday, the 28th. I hope that you will realize that if it had not been for these previous engagements I should have been extremely pleased to have been with you.

With kind regards to Mrs. McCormick, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.